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and **Barry H. RABIN**

Group Art Unit: 3746

Serial No. : 10/691,067
Filed : October 21, 2003
For : **IMPROVED CAPILLARY PUMPS FOR VAPORIZATION OF LIQUIDS**

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing with the subject patent application are the following:

1. Information Disclosure Statement;
2. Form PTO/SB/08 (substitute for form 1449A/PTO) with 2 references attached;
3. Previously submitted Forms PTO-1449 and Form PTO/SB/08 (substitute for form 1449A/PTO); and
4. Return receipt postcard confirming receipt of enclosed documents.

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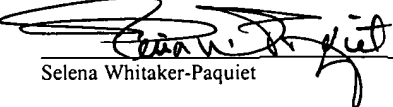
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Dear Sir:

The attached Form PTO/SB/08 (substitute for form 1449A/PTO) identifies 2 U.S. patent references. Copies of these references are enclosed herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

Also attached are copies of PTO-1449 and PTO/SB/08 (substitute for form 1449A/PTO) forms that were filed in connection with the related parent patent application. The related parent patent application is U.S. Patent Application No. 10/079,744, filed February 19, 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,634,864, issued October 21, 2003.

Applicants note that MPEP 2001.06(b) specifies that normally, if the application under examination is identified as a continuation-in-part of an earlier application, the Examiner will consider the art cited in the earlier application. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner communicate to the Applicants that the art cited in the attached PTO-1449 and PTO/SB/08 (substitute for form 1449A/PTO) forms is made of record in the subject application.

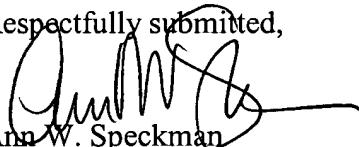
Copies of the references cited on the attached previously submitted forms PTO-1449 and PTO/SB/08 (substitute for form 1449A/PTO) were made of record in connection with the

related parent application. Applicants will provide additional copies of these references if requested by the Examiner.

The documents listed on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08 (substitute for form 1449A/PTO), and the previously submitted forms PTO-1449 and PTO/SB/08 (substitute for form 1449A/PTO) are cited in compliance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, as amended. Applicant does not concede that the references are "prior art" under 35 U.S.C. §102 or §103, and specifically reserves the right to antedate such materials, as by a showing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise.

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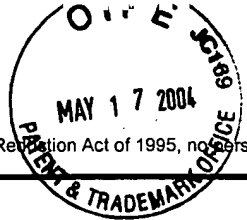


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